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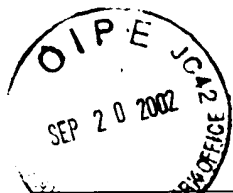
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	B	02-096606	04/09/1990	Korenaga Nobushige et al.	✓
	C	02-051835	02/21/1990	Taniguchi Junichi	✓
	D	58-204455	11/29/1983	Obara Kenji	✓
	E	63-017523	01/25/1988	Tanaka Shoji	✓
	F	02-015545	01/19/1990	Koshishiba Hiroya et al	✓
	G	59-155941	09/05/1984	Hosoki Shigeyuki et al	✓
	H	57-095056	06/12/1982	Kuji Tomohiro et al	✓
	I	02-142045	05/31/1990	Kuroda Katsuhiro	✓
	J	56-126752	10/05/1981	Kuji Norio et al	✓
	K	02-158045	06/18/1990	Okabe Keiko	✓
	L	60-057929	04/03/1985	Oshima Yoshimasa et al	✓
	M	57-136320	08/23/1982	Ito Tsutomu et al	✓
	N	01-261131	10/18/1989	Fujioka Satoshi et al	✓
	O	02-110565	04/23/1990	Niike Takumi	✓
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